

TGEI Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2014, 3:00 pm, Andrew Johnson Building, 8th Floor Conference Room

Members Present:

Luvenia Butler, Chair
Brigitte Tubbs-Jones, Vice Chair

Members Present via Phone:

April Anderson, 2013 Class President	Selena Cunningham, 2012 Class Vice-President
Curtis Clan, 2013 Class Representative	Stephanie Dedmon, 2013 At-Large Rep.
Tammy Gennari, Immediate Past-Chair	Tammy Golden, 2013 At-Large Rep
Vicki Guye, At-Large Representative	Julie Johnson, 2012 Class Representative
Monica Middlebrooks, 2013 Class Pres.	Chris Padgett, 2013 Class Representative
Patrick Ryan, At-Large Representative	Amanda Snowden, 2012 Class Representative

Members Absent:

Valerie Nagoshiner, 2012 Class President
Dr. Gary Peevely, UT
Antonio Meeks, DoHR Representative
Trish Holliday, DoHR Representative

Chair Luvenia Butler called the meeting to order. She asked for any corrections to the minutes from the February 18th meeting. Tammy Golden moved we approve the minutes; Tammy Gennari seconded the motion and upon vote, the motion carried and the minutes were accepted.

Financial Update:

Treasurer Julie Johnson reported that the TGEI Alumni network account balance is \$338.87. The savings account balance is \$499.18. Julie reported we are in the process of closing the checking and savings accounts at Southeast Financial. Wells Fargo allows accounts without an EIN so we're opening accounts there. Julie will keep us posted on progress.

Professional Development Committee:

Tammy Golden reviewed plans for the professional development event scheduled for May 22nd from 11:00 – 1:00; Gerry Boaz is checking on booking the Tennessee Room in the Tower. The suggested topic is The Value of Mentoring; Trish and Commissioner Hunter agreed to ask Greg Adams to speak. Tammy updated the approach to use the online ordering service for lunch called One Menu place with Sub Stop.

Social Networking:

Brigitte reminded everyone about the Spring Mixer which is this Thursday, 3/20 at The Pub in The Gulch. Luvenia will send another invitation reminder email on Tuesday. This committee is also working on the All Class Reunion Gala for August. Tentative dates being considered are 8/20, 8/26 or 8/27.

Website and Marketing Committee:

Curtis spoke with Mi Jones and sent her the Steering Committee member information. She will let us know when she can work on the updates.

Membership Committee:

Selena reported that she received the list of Class Reporters from Sharon Buwalda and contacted 12 of the 29. Luvenia will meet with the committee to review the list of classes without a reporter and will make a request to a class member to help update their class list.

Newsletter Committee:

The first newsletter was distributed to the alumni in early March. April and Monica reviewed the outline for the next edition to include: mentoring program, highlight the speaker for the May event, describe the TGEI Steering Committee committees and their purpose, article about new Black Belt Leadership program white belt recipients, pictures and write-up from Spring Mixer and article about the charity chosen by the Steering Committee. Luvenia agreed to write this one. Articles should be submitted by April 21st.

Bylaws Committee:

Tammy Gennari and Ron reviewed suggested by-law updates with Luvenia. They have been sent to Trish Holliday for review; we expect her feedback before the April meeting.

TN Government Leadership Council Update:

Trish reported that the Mentor Tennessee program was presented to the Cabinet where she asked for 4-5 agencies to join Pilot implementation of the program.

Additionally, the Council is sponsoring a leadership book club and the first book being reviewed is The Fred Factor, with 50 leadership alumni participating.

TGEI Charity:

Luvenia talked with Theresa Carl with the Governor's Books From Birth Foundation and communicated that TGEI alumni are interested in making this our charity focus. Luvenia invited her to Thursday's Spring Mixer and will use this time with her to discuss how we communicate requests for books for the May 22nd professional development event.

New Business:

Luvenia shared a suggestion to add a Speaker's Bureau based on discussions with TGMI and TGLC (Forward Focus committee). The Bureau will provide a resource for events, conferences, etc. Luvenia will share more information as it becomes available.

Regarding the UT football game against Arkansas State on September 6, 2014 and the UT-hosted tailgate party, Luvenia will check with Dr. Peevely on status of ticket requests and any next steps.

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 21st at 3:00 p.m.